is not possible at this stage to indicate a definite time-frame for completion of the investigation.

Issue of Free Passes in IA and AI

4111. SHRI VIREN J. SHAH:
SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) what are the rules governing the issue of complimentary free passes by the Indian Airlines and Air India;

(b) what are the names of the persons to whom such passes were issued during the last three years, year-wise and category-wise;

(c) which are the authorities vested with discretionary powers for issue of such passes in addition to the above rules; and

(d) what are the reasons for grant of such discretionary powers of issuing complementary passes?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Development Plans for Chitrakoot

4112. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Chitrakoot occupies important place for the people of the country;

(b) whether it is also a fact that lakhs of people visit chitrakoot every month;

(c) whether it is also fact that people visiting Chitrakoot face a lot of difficulties due to lack of infrastructural facilities there;

(d) whether Government propose to give Chitrakoot the status of a tourist spot;

(e) if so, what action has been taken both at State and Central level, in this regard; and

(f) the future development plans of this place?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) to (f) Large number of tourists visit Chitrakoot. The Central Department of Tourism sanctioned construction of tourist complex for Rs. 9.66 lakhs during 1990-91 and yatri niwas for Rs. 35.74 lakhs during 1991-92 for augmentation of accommodation facilities in Chitrakoot. The development of any place as a tourist spot/centre is primarily the responsibility of the State Governments.

Plan to open guide-centres for Tourists in Chandigarh

4113. SHRI BHUPINDER SINGH MANN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether government have any plans to open guide-centres for tourists near Railway Station, Chandigarh, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) what are Government's plan to extend the facility of tourist buses from Chandigarh to other areas in Punjab?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) and (b) No Sir, does not arise.

Development of New Air Ports

4114. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state

(a) whether government propose to develop new airports in the country;

(b) if so, the locations where these new airports would be developed;

(c) whether Government have taken steps to acquire land from the State Governments and the allocations made for the development of new airports; and

(d) the role of the state Governments [illegible]?